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| Title:                   | TRANSMISSION PART IN PLASTIC<br>MATERIAL WITH DIFFERENTIATED<br>FILLERS |

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

In the specification:

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ABSTRACT

Transmission parts produced in a plastic material with differentiated fillers dedicated to more specific functions so as to enhance the mechanical and physico-chemical performance of transmission parts which are at least partially exposed to the open air. More particularly, the invention is a wiper arm made in plastic and including driving means consisting of a shell part forming a shroud and made in a thermoplastic material substantially filled with more than 30% of fibers, and a baseplate part not directly exposed to air, the baseplate part being made in a thermoplastic material substantially filled with at least 40% of fibers.

In the claims:

Cancel claims 1- 11 and substitute therefor new claims 12 - 22.

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12. (New) A mechanical transmission part exposed at least partially to the open air, made of a plastic material and containing connection

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